

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

#4 PL 10-2302

In re the Application of: TOKUDA, Kazuhiko

Group Art Unit: 3729

Serial No.: 09/928,441

Examiner: CHANG, RICK KILTAE

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FOR: PRINTED CIRCUIT BOARD WITH REDUCED CROSSTALK NOISE AND METHOD OF FORMING WIRING LINES ON A BOARD TO FORM SUCH A PRINTED CIRCUIT

RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT DATED SEPTEMBER 25, 2002

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: October 18, 2002

Sir:

In response to the Requirement for an Election of Species Requirement dated

September 25, 2002, the applicant provisionally elects to prosecute the species embodying

Species I. Claims 31 and 32 read on this species. The applicant reserves the right to file

divisional applications on the non-elected claims.

The applicant respectfully requests an early examination on the elected claims 31 and 32 and favorable action on the merits. If the Examiner has any questions with this Response, please feel free to call the undersigned at the indicated telephone number.

In the event that this paper is not timely filed, applicant hereby petitions for an appropriate extension of time. The fee for any such extension may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

In the event any additional fees are required in connection with this response, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

Respectfully submitted,

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